

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/617,315

Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 31 August 2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-3,9-17,23-31 and 33-49.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. This action is responsive to the Amendments filed 31 August 2007. Claims 1-3, 9-17, 23-31 and 33-49 are pending. Claims 33-35 49 are amended. Claims 4-8, 18-22 and 32 cancelled.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-3, 9-17, 23-31 and 33-49 are allowed.

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1-3 are allowable over the prior art because a computer system user interface for statistical analysis comprising: a configuration and control display screen configured to receive user input selecting a particular statistical analysis to be performed on the tabular data, wherein the statistical analysis is configured to find at least one statistically significant factor affecting a given response within the user input data based on the particular statistical analysis selected through the configuration and control display screen is not found, taught or suggested in the prior art of record.

Claims 9-17 and 23-31 are allowable over the prior art because a method comprising: automatically performing the indicated statistical analysis for all indicated elements without further interaction wherein the statistical analysis identifies a significant factor in the tabular data; and generating results of the statistical analysis in a

result page of the plurality of pre-defined pages wherein the results identify the significant factor is not found, taught or suggested in the prior art of record.

Claims 33 and 34 are allowable over the prior art because the combination of limitations which recite computing factors for the desired analysis, wherein the computing of factors for the desired analysis comprises finding statistically significant factors affecting a given response within the user based on the identified desired analysis is not found, taught or suggested in the prior art of record.

Claims 35-49 are allowable over the prior art because the combination of limitations which recite an indication of factor-type X elements and at least one response-type Y element associated with the received data; performing the indicated statistical analysis for all indicated elements, wherein the statistical analysis identifies a significant factor among the indicated factor-type X elements with respect to said at least one identified response-type Y element; and generating results of the statistical analysis, wherein the results identify the significant factor is not found, taught or suggested in the prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mary C. Baran whose telephone number is (571) 272-2211. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday 9:00-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eliseo Ramos-Feliciano can be reached on (571) 272-7925. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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